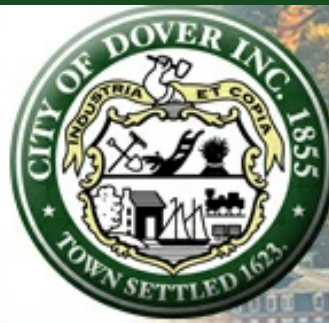


DOVER DOWNLOAD



News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



March 11, 2022



CITY OF
DOVER, NH

288 Central
Avenue
Dover, NH 03820
603-516-6000

City Hall
hours:

Monday-Thursday:
8:30 a.m. to 5:30
p.m.

Friday:
8:30 a.m. to 4
p.m.

Recycling
Center hours:



Waterfront advisory committee to meet Tuesday for update, learn more about strategic plan for art

The Cochecho Waterfront Development Advisory Committee (CWDAC) will meet Tuesday, March 15, to elect committee officers, receive a presentation from the Dover Arts Commission, and receive updates on different aspects of the project.

Tuesday,
Thursday,
Saturday:
8:30 a.m. to 3:30
p.m.

The Dover Arts Commission seeks the CWDAC's endorsement to develop a strategic plan for art on the waterfront parcel and collaborate with the Park Design Committee to ensure art is planned into the design of the waterfront development. Members of the Arts Commission will discuss its purpose and goals for the strategic plan in its presentation.

CWDAC will receive updates on waterfront developers' [March 10 meeting](#) with the Technical Review Committee and the status of environmental permitting needed for the project. CWDAC will also receive an update from CWDAC's Park Subcommittee on the ongoing discussion on paddle sports facility options.

The meeting will be held in McConnell Center's Room 305 at 5:30 p.m. It will be televised on Channel 22 and online at <https://dovernh.viebit.com>, where it will also be available for on-demand viewing. Find the complete agenda [here](#).

PITCH IN FOR UKRAINE

DOVER'S DONATIONS CAN HELP

DROP OFF AT THESE CITY OF DOVER LOCATIONS THROUGH MARCH 13:
CITY HALL, PUBLIC LIBRARY, ICE ARENA

WHAT'S NEEDED?

- BACKPACKS
- CRUTCHES AND CANES
- DIAPERS
- FEMININE PADS
- HYGIENE ITEMS AND KITS
- SANITARY PADS
- SLEEPING BAGS
- SOLAR CHARGERS AND LAMPS
- TENTS
- THERMAL BLANKETS
- THERMAL CLOTHING
- WHEELCHAIRS
- ACETAMINOPHEN (TYLENOL)
- ANTISEPTICS
- BANDAGES
- BED RAILS
- IBUPROFEN
- EYE WASH
- MEDICAL GLOVES
- MEDICAL SCISSORS
- MULTI-TRAUMA DRESSING
- PEPTO BISMOL
- TRAUMA KITS
- NEEDLE AND THREAD STORED IN ALCOHOL
- PLASTIC CLING WRAP, 2" WIDE ROLL
- PORTABLE VENTILATORS
- WHITE PETROLEUM JELLY



DONATIONS WILL BE COLLECTED AND DISTRIBUTED BY NUDAY (WWW.NUDASYRIA.ORG) AND ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

City of Dover provides collection points for needed Ukraine supplies

The City of Dover is providing collection points for those seeking to donate supplies to

displaced people in Ukraine. The donated items will be collected and shipped overseas by NuDay, a New Hampshire-based, non-profit organization. All donations are tax-deductible.

The drop locations are City Hall, Dover Public Library and Dover Ice Arena. Items will be collected through Sunday, March 13. The items will then be shipped overseas by NuDay. Monetary donations are also accepted online at www.nudaysyria.org or via mail at PO Box 4521, Windham, N.H. 03087. Information about the non-profit, including financial statements, is also available on the website.

According to NuDay, the items most in need now are food, diapers, hygiene items and emergency medical supplies, listed below. NuDay requests items to be new, unexpired and not glass. No glass items can be sent. NuDay also has a list of its most needed items on Amazon.com. The list is at <https://a.co/7TPKvHb>.

Food and nutrition items include:

- Baby milk and infant formula
- Granola and protein bars
- Protein drinks
- Canned tuna

Humanitarian items include:

- Backpacks,
- Crutches, canes
- Diapers
- Feminine pads
- Generators
- Hygiene items and kits
- Sanitary pads
- Sleeping bags
- Solar charges and lamps
- Tents
- Thermal blankets
- Thermal clothing
- Wheelchairs

Medical supplies include:

- Pain relievers (acetaminophen, aspirin, ibuprofen)
- CPR masks
- Eyewash
- Antibiotic creams, ointments
- Antiseptic wipes
- Bandages
- Beds for children with special needs
- Bed rails
- Bismuth subsalicylate (Pepto-Bismol)
- Emergency blanket
- Medical gloves
- Medical scissors
- Medical adhesive tape rolls
- First aid kits
- Trauma kits
- Burn aid (water gel burn dressing)
- CPR mask
- Eyewash
- Butterfly strips
- Abdominal pad
- Caffeine pills
- Central venous catheter kits
- Elastic wrap / ACE Bandage (4 inches by 5 yards)
- Emergency blankets
- Intravenous fluids (NaCl 0.9%, Lactated Ringer's solution)
- Gauze pads
- Gels, foams, hydrocolloids, alginates, hydrogels, polysaccharide pastes, sutures
- Hydrocortisone cream (1%)

- Intravenous catheters
 - Laryngeal tube
 - Loperamide (Imodium A-D)
 - Nasopharyngeal airway
 - Needle and thread stored in isopropyl alcohol
 - Plastic cling wrap, 2-inch wide roll
 - Plastic films
 - Portable ventilators
 - White petroleum jelly / Vaseline in small containers
-

Parking Commission meets Tuesday to consider outdoor dining rules for public parking spaces

The Parking Commission will consider providing recommendations on the use of public parking spaces for commercial use to the City Manager and City Council at its meeting Tuesday, March 15.

Earlier this week, the Parking Commission [met for a special meeting](#) where through an informal 4 to 3 vote, it voted to support the use of public parking spaces for outdoor dining. Following the vote, the commission discussed what should be included in regulations, such as when spaces could be used, cost, application procedures and accessibility issues.

If the Parking Commission votes to recommend using public parking spaces, the proposal would then go to the City Council for its consideration and approval.

The city had allowed city-owned parking spaces for outdoor dining for the past two years during the COVID-19 pandemic, which first began when indoor dining was banned by the governor and continued when the governor imposed indoor capacity limits, which have since been lifted. The use of public sidewalks for outdoor dining was previously allowed.

[Click here](#) for the complete agenda and a draft resolution for commercial use of city-owned parking spaces.



Daylight Saving Time a reminder for fire safety and prevention

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 13, at 2 a.m. It's a good time to change and test

the batteries in smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

Dover Fire and Rescue reminds residents that one simple step can help save their lives and the lives of those around them. Everyone is encouraged to use Daylight Saving Time as a reminder to change the batteries in smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, test alarms and remind friends, family, neighbors and fellow community members to do the same.

“Eighty percent of child fire fatalities occur in homes without working smoke alarms,” said Dover Fire Chief Michael McShane. “It’s a tragic statistic that could be reduced by ensuring you have an appropriate number of smoke detectors where you live and adopting the simple habit of changing your batteries when you change your clocks. If you have hardwired detectors, replacing the batteries at these intervals helps to ensure they can withstand the duration of a potential power outage at any time during the year.”

According to the National Fire Protection Agency, 71% of smoke alarms that failed to operate had missing, disconnected or dead batteries. Changing smoke alarm batteries at least once a year, testing those alarms and reminding others to do the same are some of the simplest, most effective ways to reduce these tragic deaths and injuries.

“The peak time for home fire fatalities is between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. when most families are sleeping,” McShane said. “Smoke alarm maintenance is a simple, effective way to reduce home fire deaths. Children and senior citizens are most at risk, and a working smoke alarm can give them the extra seconds they need to get out safely.”

A working smoke detector doubles your chance of surviving a home fire.

For more information about fire safety, call Dover Fire and Rescue at 603-516-6148.

Road closures, traffic restrictions in place Saturday for Run Before You Crawl 5K

Dover Police Chief William Breault announces the following road closures for the eighth annual Run Before You Crawl 5K event, hosted by Dover Main Street and part of the Dover Race Series. More information is available at <http://www.dovermainstreet.org/events>.

On Saturday, March 12, 2022, between 9:15 and 10:30 a.m., Chestnut Street will be closed to all southbound traffic between Sixth and Third streets. Additional partial closures will be in effect during brief periods to accommodate the race on Chestnut, Washington, Whittier and Sixth streets.

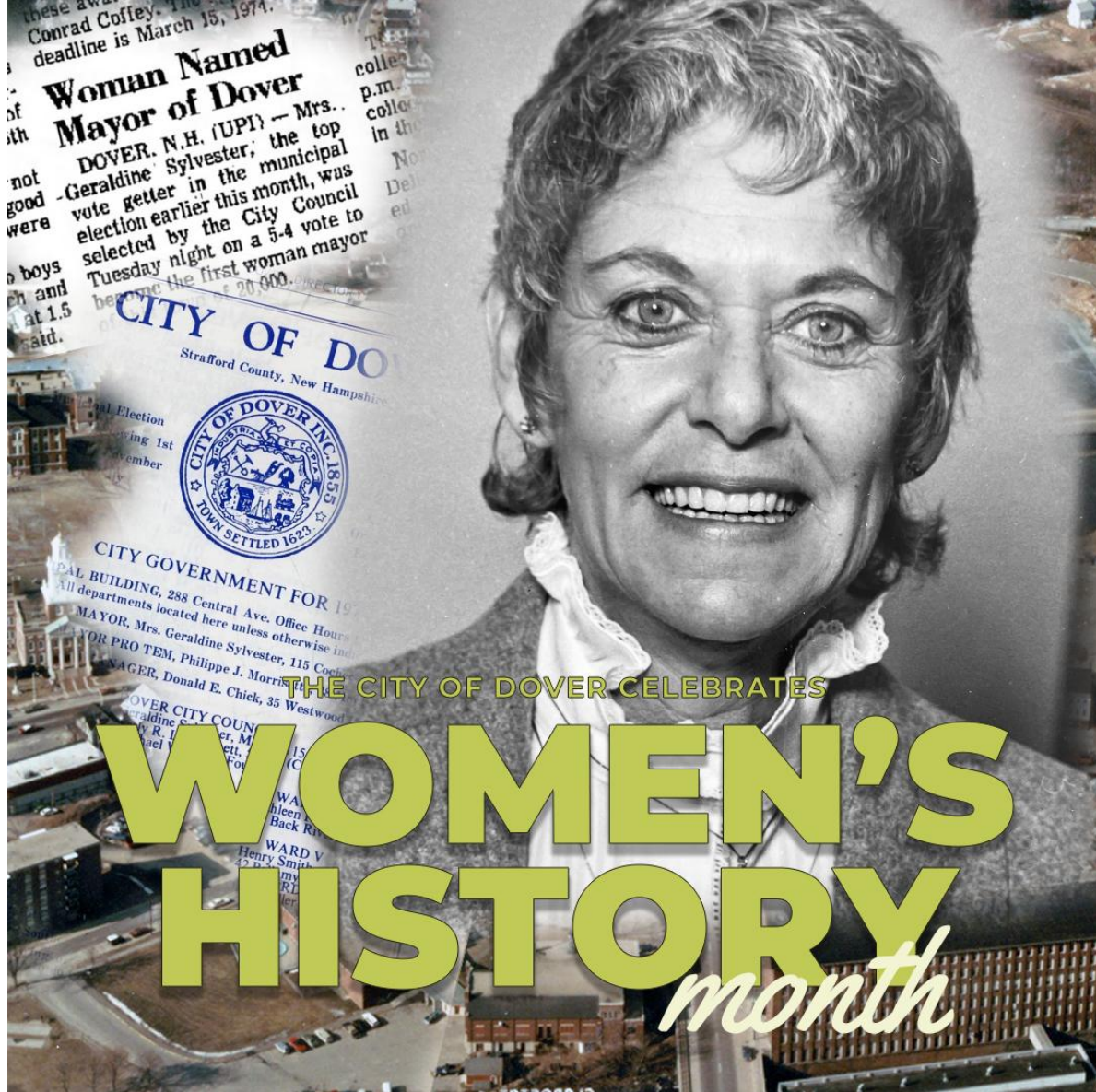
The event starts and ends at the Dover Transportation Center. The course follows a clockwise loop of Chestnut, Washington, Whittier, Sixth and Chestnut streets. Dover police personnel and a number of event volunteers will be on hand to help manage the flow of traffic along the race route.

Parking restrictions will be posted and in effect on Saturday morning along Sixth Street, from Hillside Drive to Chestnut Street, and in sections of the Transportation Center parking lot.

COAST bus service and connections at the Transportation Center will be suspended between 8:30 and 11 a.m. COAST riders will be able to access the bus at nearby Waldron Towers on Green Street. University of New Hampshire Wildcat Transit is not in service this weekend.

Amtrak Downeaster passenger train service (southbound #692 at 8:57 a.m. and northbound #691 at 10:20 a.m.) will not be interrupted, but train passengers who intend to park at the Transportation Center may need to plan ahead for alternate parking arrangements.

For questions about traffic, contact the Traffic Bureau at 603-742-4646.



After 1973 election, Geraldine Sylvester would serve as Dover's first female mayor

"The city's next mayor may well be Geraldine Sylvester," is how Foster's Daily Democrat summed up the 1973 municipal election. Sylvester, who ran for the City Council at large that year, was the top vote getter in all wards, beating the second-highest vote getter by more than 600 votes.

It was a time when the City Council voted to appoint a mayor, and Sylvester was not shy about seeking the top seat. "This is one campaign I want to win and win badly," she said.

Sylvester, the first woman to serve on the City Council, had made a bid for mayor at the start of her term on the City Council two years prior, but was named mayor pro tem instead.

A few weeks after the 1973 municipal election, her work paid off. The City Council voted 5-4 to elevate Sylvester to the mayor's seat. The vote meant Sylvester would serve as Dover's first female mayor, beginning with a newly seated City Council in 1974.

Geraldine Sylvester would be a very visible mayor during her tenure, but her work as Dover's top elected official was just another chapter in a life devoted to public service and charity.

Before Sylvester served on the City Council, she, her husband Robert, and their family were already known for their charity with troubled children. Between 1969 and 1981, they welcomed more than 200 children into their Cocheco Street home, in addition to their own five daughters

and two sons. Many of those children who constantly passed through their doors were distraught physically and emotionally, and the Sylvesters helped them get back on their feet, doing so without any public funds. This time for Geraldine would get much attention in her autobiography, "Windy Hill," published in 2003.

In 1971, she and her husband founded GFS Manufacturing in the garage of their home. The company would go on to employ hundreds of people in the area. The GFS in the name of the company stood for Geraldine Flora Sylvester.

After serving seven consecutive terms on the City Council starting in 1970, including as mayor from 1974 to 1975, Sylvester took on a new job after losing a bid for an eighth term on the Council.

In 1983, Sylvester was named director of the Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention by Gov. John Sununu, a position she would hold for 13 years, before retiring from that post in 1997.

In addition to those positions, Sylvester also served in various local, state, and federal positions, including an appointment to the National Advisory Committee on Alcohol and Drug Abuse and Mental Health Problems, a panel that reported directly to Congress; a delegate to the National Republican Convention in 1980; chairwoman of the New Hampshire Small Business Advisory Council in 1978; and trustee of the New Hampshire Youth Development Center from 1976 to 1983.

She was awarded an honorary doctorate of law from New England College in Henniker and an honorary doctorate of humane letters from Notre Dame in Manchester. In 1978, she and her husband were named Citizens of the Year by the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce.

After spending most of her adult life in Dover, she and her husband later moved to New Castle, wintering in the Bahamas. During this time, she wrote three books: "The Reluctant Innkeeper," about the inn she and her husband bought and opened in the Bahamas, "Aunt Harriet & Me" and "Windy Hill," her autobiography.

Geraldine Sylvester passed away in 2017 at 86 years old.

Mayor, City Council proclaim March as Women's History Month, and declare Dec. 26 'Dover Mill Girls Recognition Day'

Mayor Robert Carrier and the City Council proclaimed March as Women's History Month at its [March 9 meeting](#). They also voted to declare Dec. 26 annually as 'Dover Mill Girls Recognition Day,' in honor of the first women's labor strike in the United States that occurred in Dover on Dec. 26, 1828.

[Read more](#) about the strike at the Dover Public Library history page about the event.

Women's History Month is celebrated annually in March in the United States and other countries, corresponding with International Women's Day on March 8.

Carrier read the following proclamation at the meeting:

WHEREAS: American women of every race, class and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the progress of our Nation, acting at the forefront of every major social change movement; and

WHEREAS: On the 111th International Women's Day, we celebrate and encourage everyone to take action against gender bias and inequity in support of the 2022 theme of "Break The Bias"; and

WHEREAS: American women have served our country courageously in the military, and

WHEREAS: American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and especially the peace movement; and

WHEREAS: All of these actions are reflective of a 'Break The Bias' mentality, helping create a more fair and just society for all Americans; and

WHEREAS: Despite these contributions, the crucial role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued in the crafting, teaching and study of American history; and

WHEREAS: The City of Dover is committed to promoting equity and justice and will continue to work to address the systemic and structural oppressions that perpetuate inequity for women and for all members of society

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT CARRIER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DOVER, AND THE ENTIRE CITY COUNCIL, DO HEREBY RECOGNIZE THE MONTH OF MARCH AS:
WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**



Registration for Dover Community Gardens opens March 16

Love to garden? Member registration for Dover Community Gardens will open on Wednesday, March 16. There are two locations available: Garrison Hill Park and County Farm Road.

To sign up, or for more information, visit dovergarden.com.

Dover Community Gardens is a grassroots, all-volunteer group that launched last year after receiving support from the Dover City Council, Dover's Conservation Commission and the

Upcoming Meetings:

Conservation Commission, March 14, 5:30 p.m.

The Conservation Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Recreation Advisory Board, March 14, 6 p.m.

The Recreation Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022, beginning at 6 p.m., in Room 234 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

School Board, March 14, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022, beginning at 7 p.m., in School Board Chambers, Room 306, at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Parking Commission, March 15, 8:30 a.m.

The Parking Commission will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, beginning at 8:30 a.m. in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Waterfront Development Committee, March 15,



Mayor, City Council honors Dover High School golf champion, Carys Fennessey

Mayor Robert Carrier and the City Council at its March 9 meeting honored Dover High School freshman Carys Fennessey, who won the girl's state individual title this fall. Fennessey has played golf since she was four years old and has been a top-ranked golfer in her age division for years. She nearly won the Cochecho Country Club's women's championship at 10.

"It's Incredible," Carrier told Fennessey. "What you've done is incredible."

Carrier read the following proclamation about Fennessey at the meeting:

WHEREAS: Golf prodigy Carys Fennessey was born and raised in Dover, where she lives with her parents Matthew and Candace and her brother Desmond; and

WHEREAS: After watching her Dad practice at home, Carys began playing golf herself at age 4, swinging a plastic club in the backyard at home; and

WHEREAS: Carys' father, Matt, is the Dover High School Golf Coach. He would bring her to team practices and listen to her advice as she watched the players; and

WHEREAS: Carys played in 15 events this season and finished 1st seven times. She finished under four par in four rounds, including a career tournament-best 67 (-5) in the State AM, where she finished 3rd. Her scoring average in 18-hole events was 76.5; and

WHEREAS: She was a medalist in 8 of 10 varsity matches during the season and has the best scoring average at Dover High School in the last 35 years at 35.5 and;

WHEREAS: She recently claimed the title of Best in State for NHIAA Girls Golf Individual Championship, with her father presenting her with the trophy.

5:30 p.m.

The Cochecho Waterfront Development Advisory Committee will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

**Arena Commission,
March 15, 7 p.m.**

The Arena Commission will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Conference Room at the Dover Arena.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

**Planning Board
Technical Review
Committee, March 17,
10:30 a.m.**

The Planning Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2022, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in Council Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

**Solid Waste Advisory
Commission, March 17,
6 p.m.**

The Solid Waste Advisory Commission will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2022, beginning at 6 p.m., at 271 Mast Road, Dover.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

**Zoning Board, March
17, 7 p.m.**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a regular meeting on

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT CARRIER, MAYOR OF
THE CITY OF DOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE, AND THE
ENTIRE DOVER CITY COUNCIL DO HEREBY
CONGRATULATE:

CARYS FENNESSY

Councilor Thibodeaux hosts 'Coffee with the Councilor' on Saturday

Ward 3 City Councilor Deborah Thibodeaux will host her twice-monthly "Coffee with the Councilor" session this Saturday, March 12, from 9 to 11 a.m., at Sunrise Pointe Café, 50 Pointe Place, PI #33.



The session is open to anyone who wishes to discuss topics of interest with the Dover councilor.

Councilor Thibodeaux holds "Coffee with the Councilor" sessions the second and fourth Saturday of each month, from 9 to 11 a.m.

For more information, contact Councilor Thibodeaux at d.thibodeaux@dover.nh.gov.



Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board meetings on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch them again, online and on demand.

Simply visit www.dovernh.viebit.com to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

Thursday, March 17, 2022, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/public-meetings/>.



Need to contact your elected representative?

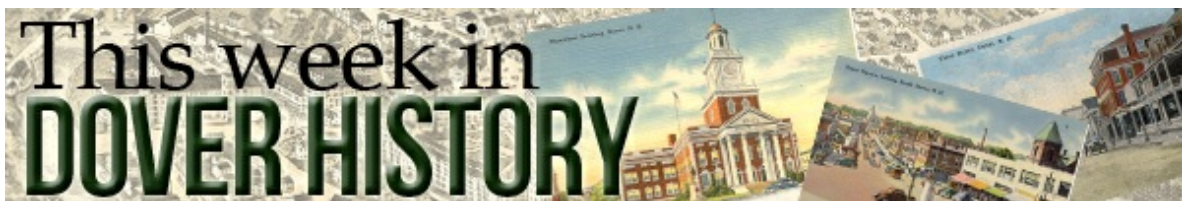
The City of Dover makes it easy to reach out to your local, state, county and federal elected officials by providing contact information for City Councilors, state representatives and the New Hampshire congressional delegation.

Visit the City's online resource, [Find My Representative](#), for a complete list of local, county, state and federal elected officials, including contact information.

Want to contact your City Councilor, or wondering which councilor represents your ward? You can find out [more information about the City Council here](#).

Wondering what ward you live in? Access the [City of Dover's interactive ward map](#). The map also includes polling locations.

A list of School Board members and contact information [can be found here](#).



The following events are from a variety of historical records, sources and texts about the history of Dover.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest European permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Museum on Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, [located here](#).

March 12, 1630 — Edward Hilton, having obtained a grant of the patent in his own name (March 12, 1630), acted as his own agent until he disposed of a portion of his interest to others, when Captain Thomas Wiggin was appointed, Mr. Hilton being made one of the commissioners for the affairs of New England by the Lords of the Council, and as such was attorney for the delivery of possession of Saco and Biddeford to Richard Vines. This grant from the Council conveyed to Edward Hilton and his associates all that part of the river Piscataqua called by the natives Wecanacohunt, and by the settlers Hilton's point, with the south side of said river up to the falls of Squamscot, and three miles into the main land for breadth. This grant now contains within its limits Dover, Durham, Stratham, and parts of Newington and Greenland.

March 13, 1723 — At a meeting of the selectmen, liberty was given to John Parell of Dover to

keep a ferry over the Back River from his house or landing place over to Sgt. Drew's usual landing place, and for his services he was to receive one penny for every inhabitant carried over the river and two pence for strangers.

March 15, 1831 — A large seal, six feet eight inches in length, and weighing nearly 400 pounds, taken in the Cochecho, a few miles below the town.

March 11, 1966 — The City of Dover officially files opposition with the Interstate Commerce Commission to a petition by Boston and Maine Railroad to eliminate passenger rail service between Boston and Dover.

March 11, 1999 — The Dover Police Department held its annual awards ceremony on this day and named Michael Fenton as Employee of the Year. During the ceremony, held at the former Firehouse One Restaurant (now Ember), then Police Chief William Fenniman said, "He has made our department the most technologically sound department in the state." Fenniman said his biggest challenge in the year ahead would be "Y2K redemption." Fenton said his primary responsibility at that time was maintaining the department's mobile data system, a network of portable computers in each police vehicle. Fenton continued to serve the Police Department as an Information Technology Administrator until 2021, when he retired from the department.



Local author Noreen Biehl to speak at the Dover Public Library

The Dover Public Library is pleased to welcome local author Noreen Biehl to the library on Monday, March 21 at 6:30 p.m. She will be reading from her recent novel, "Guilty News," published last fall. She will have copies of the book available for purchase and signing.

"Guilty News" is a fictional mystery based near Biehl's hometown of Niagara Falls, New York. The fictional story is inspired by her career at Wentworth-Douglass Hospital and "A Place of Healing: A History of Wentworth-Douglass Hospital," a piece Biehl published in 2016.

"In many ways, it's autobiographical and based on my 30 years working as a hospital spokesperson," Biehl said. "When I wrote the history, I added a prologue and epilogue – both fictionalized by bringing the original hospital administrator, Grace Stetson, to life in 1906 and 2016. The idea to bring some fiction into the history came from my writing friends. After I retired from my role at the hospital in 2015, I joined the Jewitt Writers Group, and their suggestions have been invaluable as I finished the history and began a novel."



Biehl says the parts to the novel began to fall into place in her head while she was on her daily walk in 2018.

"I needed a plot and characters, and since I am a huge fan of mysteries and thrillers, I needed to solve a murder," she said. "The main character was easy – someone I knew very well – a hospital spokesperson. I did not want to make this about Wentworth-Douglass, so I created a unique hospital, set it in Grand Island, New York – just outside my hometown of Niagara Falls. The rest fell into place. Each chapter led to another and another."

Although the ideas came to Biehl quickly, the process of creating the novel took four years in total. It took about a year to write the 100,000 words, another year to edit and cut unnecessary sections, and then she had several friends review the manuscript and provide feedback. The beginning of the story, the ending, and the title were changed several times throughout the process.

"Some days I could write two thousand words, and other days I'd spend hours just rewriting one paragraph," she said. "I had to cut out some sections even though they were some of my favorites, and got it down to 87,000 words."

Because the novel includes an advanced orthopedic medicine hospital and has characters like a professional hockey player, Biehl had to put a lot of research into the novel. She researched things like advances in the medical field, bio lab procedures, NHL hockey seasons and player salaries, and so much more.

Biehl began her love for seeking information and writing in high school, as she wrote for the school newspaper. She went on to major in English/journalism before taking a job as a reporter for Foster's Daily Democrat. She then moved on to become assistant public relations director at Wentworth-Douglass before ending her career as the vice president of community relations.

You can purchase the brand new novel, "Guilty News," on amazon at www.amazon.com/author/noreen.biehl.

The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Library at 603-516-6050.

20th annual Dover Public Library Poetry Contest

The Dover Public Library is pleased to announce the 20th annual Dover Public Library Poetry contest for grades K-12 and adults ages 18 and up.

Prizes will be awarded in seven categories: Grades K-2, 3 and 4, 5 and 6, 7 and 8, 9 and 10, 11 and 12, and adults. Poems will be judged on originality, style and creativity. The deadline for entry is April 20, 2022. Students and adults may pick up information about the contest at the Dover Public Library, any Dover school library, or our website at library.dover.nh.gov starting on March 14.

All participants are invited to attend an "Evening of Poetry" on Monday, May 23, at 6:30 p.m. at the library. Participants are invited to read their poetry at this event, but this will be purely voluntary.

For more information about the contest, please contact Emily Ainaire at 603-516-6082.

The Week at the Library

March VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of *The Moosewood Restaurant Table* by The Moosewood Collective. Throughout the

Tuesday, March 15, 6 to 8 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons: Adult Group

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with Game Master Dave. This 18 & older group

month of March, send in pictures of your dishes created with recipes from the book and a short description of your cooking process, how you felt about the recipe, and/or your thoughts on the book. Copies of the book will be available to check out at the main circulation desk. Photos can be sent to Emily at e.fortin@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

**Monday, March 14 - Wednesday, April 20
20th Annual Poetry Contest**

The Dover Public Library is pleased to announce the 20th Annual Dover Public Library Poetry contest for residents ages 5 and up. Prizes will be awarded in seven different categories: Grades K-2, 3 & 4, 5 & 6, 7 & 8, 9 & 10, 11 & 12 and adults ages 18 and older. Poems will be judged on originality, style and creativity. Deadline for entry is Wednesday, April 20. Students may pick up information about the contest at the Dover Public Library or on the website at library.dover.nh.gov.

**Monday, March 14, 10 to 10:45 a.m.
Beyond Books: Program STEM**

"Beyond Books: A Preschool Discovery Program" is for children ages 3-5. Each session will focus on a different subject. Register for this Monday series to learn about STEM. We will start with books, then go beyond with hands-on activities to explore the topic further.

**Monday, March 14, 4 to 4:45 p.m.
Big Kids Storytime**

Kids in grades K-2 are invited to join us for a storytime with more in-depth, challenging picture books. Registration required.

**Monday, March 14, 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.
This Land of Snow**

Register to attend this virtual webinar and hear New Hampshire author Anders Morely talk about his book "This Land of Snow: A Journey Across the North in Winter". Hear about his journey cross-country skiing across Canada in the winter alone.

**Tuesday, March 15, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Poetry Rocks!**

Enjoy an afternoon of rock painting to celebrate the start of the 20th Annual Poetry Contest! Each rock will feature a portion of a poem, and participants will use paint pens to create designs around the quotes. All supplies will be provided. This event is open to participants of all ages.

is for new and veteran role-playing gamers to join us in the library for two hours of adventure, imagination, and strategy. The group will meet every Tuesday night, though you do not need to have attended previous sessions to enjoy your first game. No experience or materials are required and all skill levels are welcome to play.

**Wednesday, March 16, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Adult Knitting Group**

Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join us with their projects for an in-person crafting circle. All levels are welcome.

**Wednesday, March 16, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
Family Storytime**

Kids of all ages with an adult will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and activities. Registration required.

**Thursday, March 17, 10 to 10:45 a.m.
Beyond Books: Program Arts and Crafts**

"Beyond Books: A Preschool Discovery Program" is for children ages 3-5. Each session will focus on a different subject. Register for this Thursday series to explore arts and crafts. We will start with books, then go beyond with hands-on activities to explore the topic further.

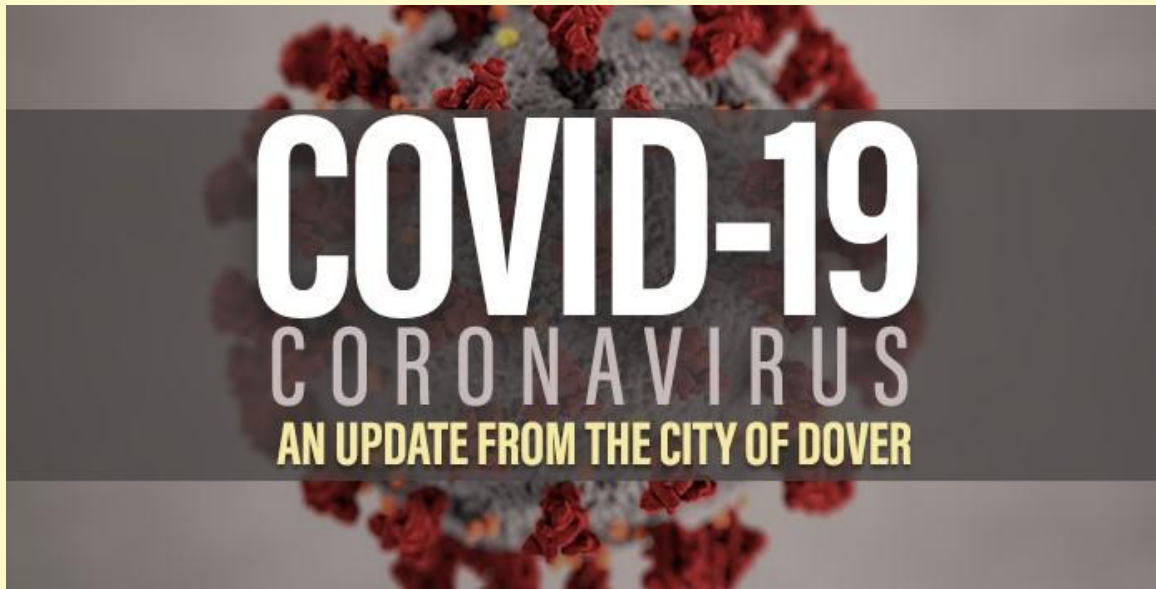
**Thursday, March 17, 6 to 7 p.m.
Nailed It! Spring Edition**

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to a spring-themed snack decorating challenge based on the popular Netflix show "Nailed It". Will you nail it and successfully recreate the Pinterest-worthy snack? Or will your creation turn into a hilarious fail? All supplies will be provided, and teens will bring their creativity and enthusiasm! Registration is recommended.

**Friday, March 18, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
Shake Your Rattle and Roll, Baby!**

This program is for babies and toddlers-2 years (older siblings always welcome). We will dance to silly songs, sing rhymes, count to 5 with puppets and rock out with drums and instruments. Featuring a different genre or musical artist each week.

**Friday, March 18, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Meet-Up for Homeschooling Families**
This will be an informal time for homeschool parents to meet and share tips and ideas while the kids make new friends and socialize. There will be toys and activities for kids of all ages.



COVID-19 vaccines and testing

Vaccines are available at most local pharmacies, including walk-in service at some. For more information, visit vaccines.nh.gov and click on "Find COVID-19 Vaccines".

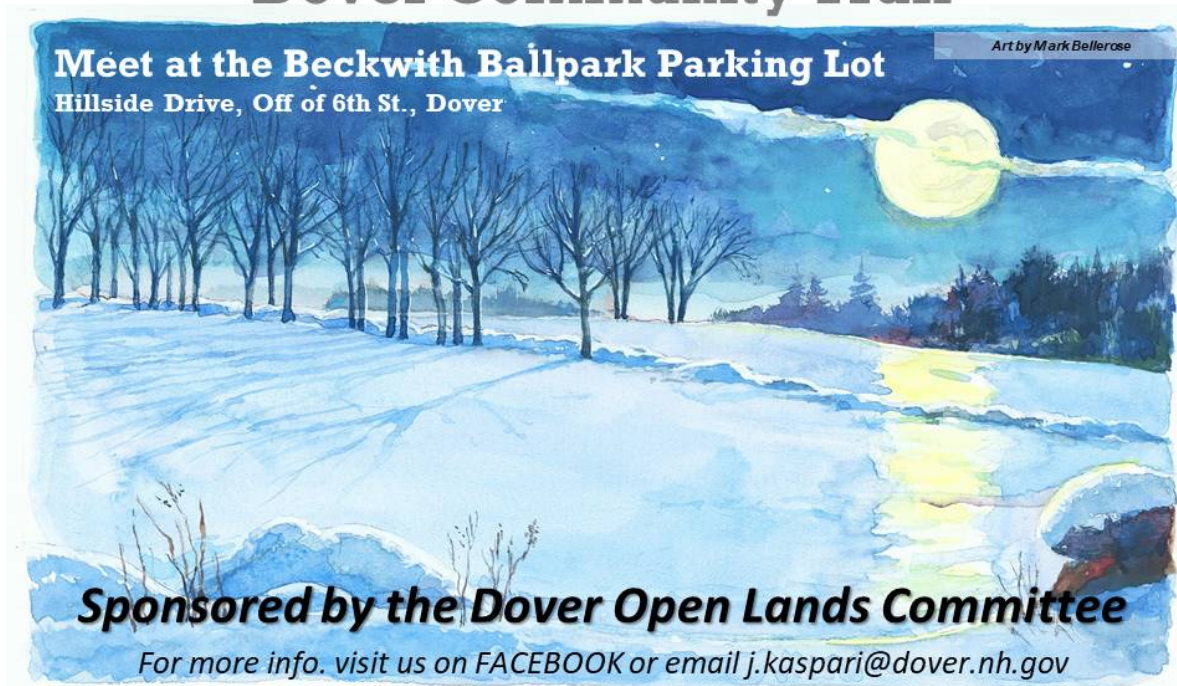
Tests for active COVID-19 disease are available in locations across New Hampshire and include both the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test and the rapid antigen test. The PCR test is for persons with or without symptoms of COVID-19. The rapid antigen test is for persons with symptoms and within a specific timeframe after onset of symptoms.

For more information about COVID-19 testing, including where to get tested, visit the State of New Hampshire's online resource at <https://www.covid19.nh.gov/resources/testing-guidance>.

Full Moon Snowshoe/Hike

Friday, March 18th 7:00 PM

Dover Community Trail



Dover Open Land Committee to hold snowshoe hike March 18

The Dover Open Lands Committee invites the public to a full moon snowshoe/hike on Friday, March 18, at 7 p.m. There is no cost for the event.

The leisurely snowshoe hike will begin at the Beckwith Ballpark parking lot on Hillside Drive, off Sixth Street, and continue through the Cassily Conservation Area. Hot cocoa and snacks provided. Please monitor the weather to determine appropriate footwear/clothing for the conditions.

For more information, contact Jackson Kaspari at j.kaspari@dover.nh.gov.

City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment. The City of Dover is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- **Superintendent of Utilities**
- **Wastewater Treatment Plant Electrical Technician**
- **Police Officer**
- **Public Safety Dispatcher**
- **Camera operator**
- **Welfare assistant/technician**
- **Truck driver: Utilities**
- **Swim Instructor I**

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, [click here](#).

